

The diagram illustrates the internal architecture of the GeForce256. At the top, a horizontal bar represents the **SGRAM / SDRAM** memory. Below this is the **Memory Interface Unit**, which connects to the main system bus. The central component is the **Rendering Subsystem**, which includes a **2D, 3D and Video Graphics Core** and a **Pipeline Set-up Processor**. To the left of the core is a **270MHz RAMDAC**, which outputs **R**, **G**, and **B** signals, and is connected to a **DDC2AB** block. Below the RAMDAC is the **VGA Core**. To the right of the core is the **Video Stream Interface**, which connects to **Video Port 1** (outputting **NTSC** and **PAL** signals) and **Video Port 2** (outputting **TV Tuner** signals). A **DC** output is also shown. At the bottom, the **PCI / AGP Interface** connects to the **PCI / AGP Bus Connector**. Two **DMA** blocks, **DMA 1** and **DMA 2**, are positioned between the core and the interface. A **Control Purpose Bus** is also shown on the right side of the chip.

Figure 3

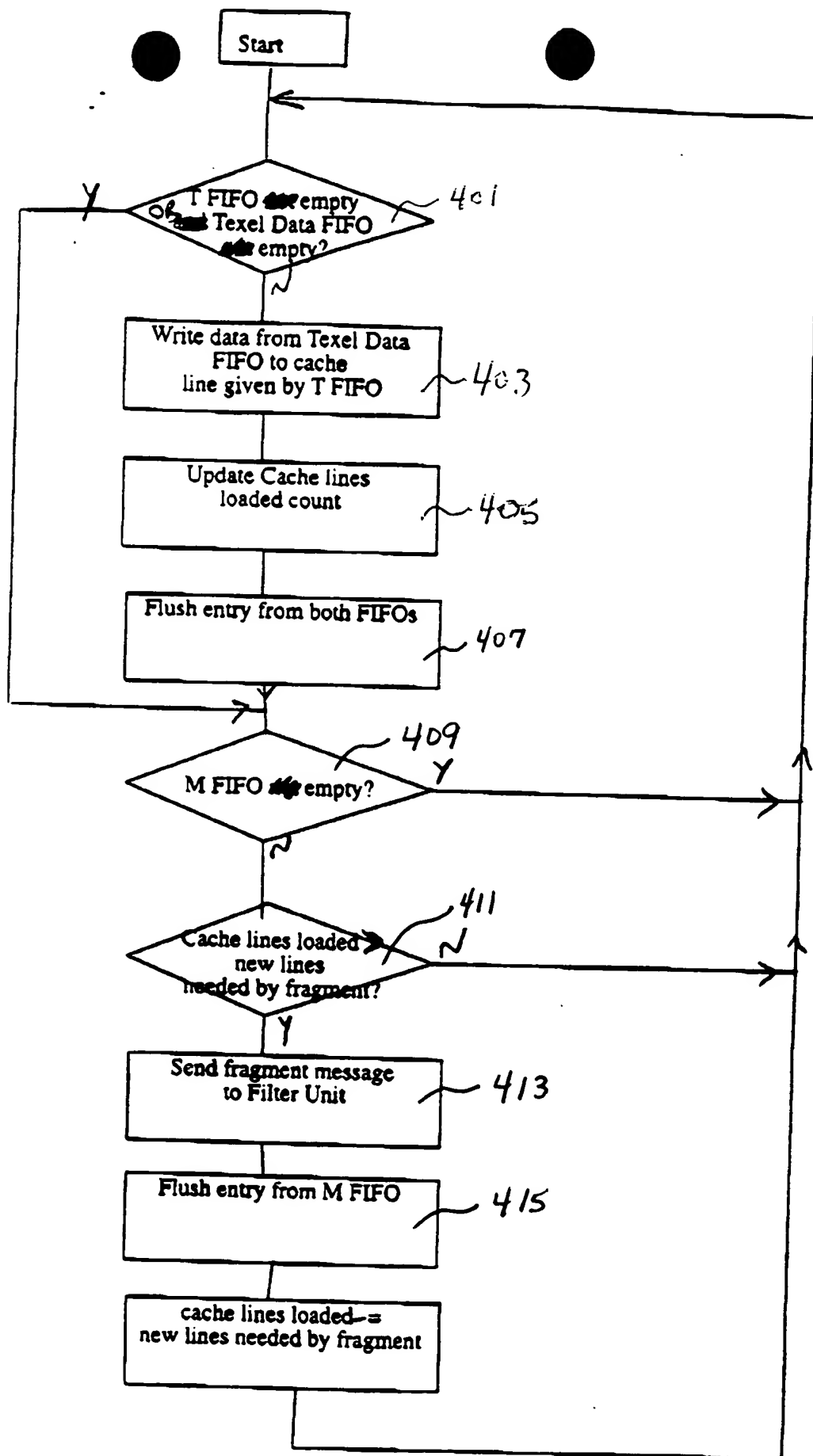


FIG. 4A

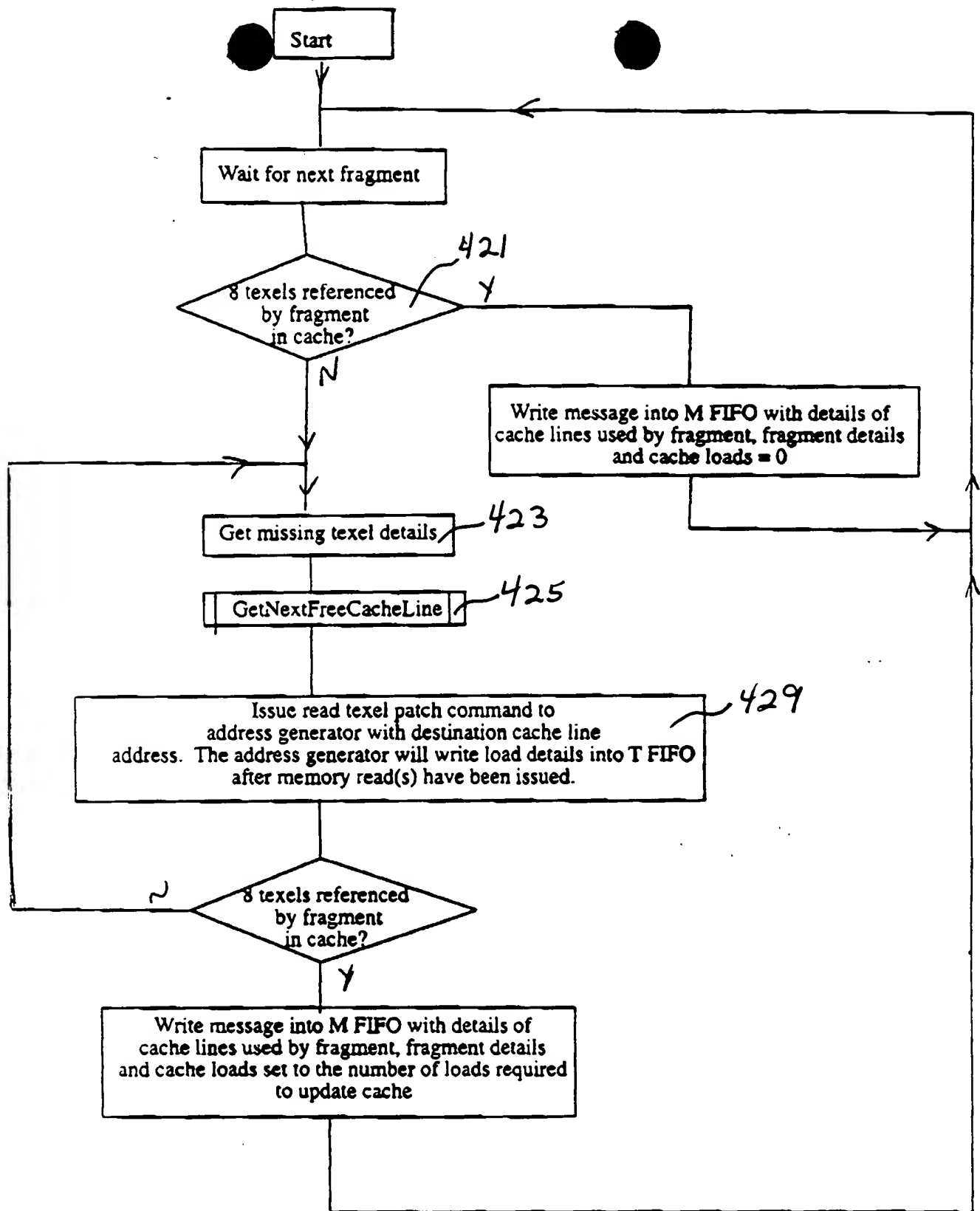


FIG 4B

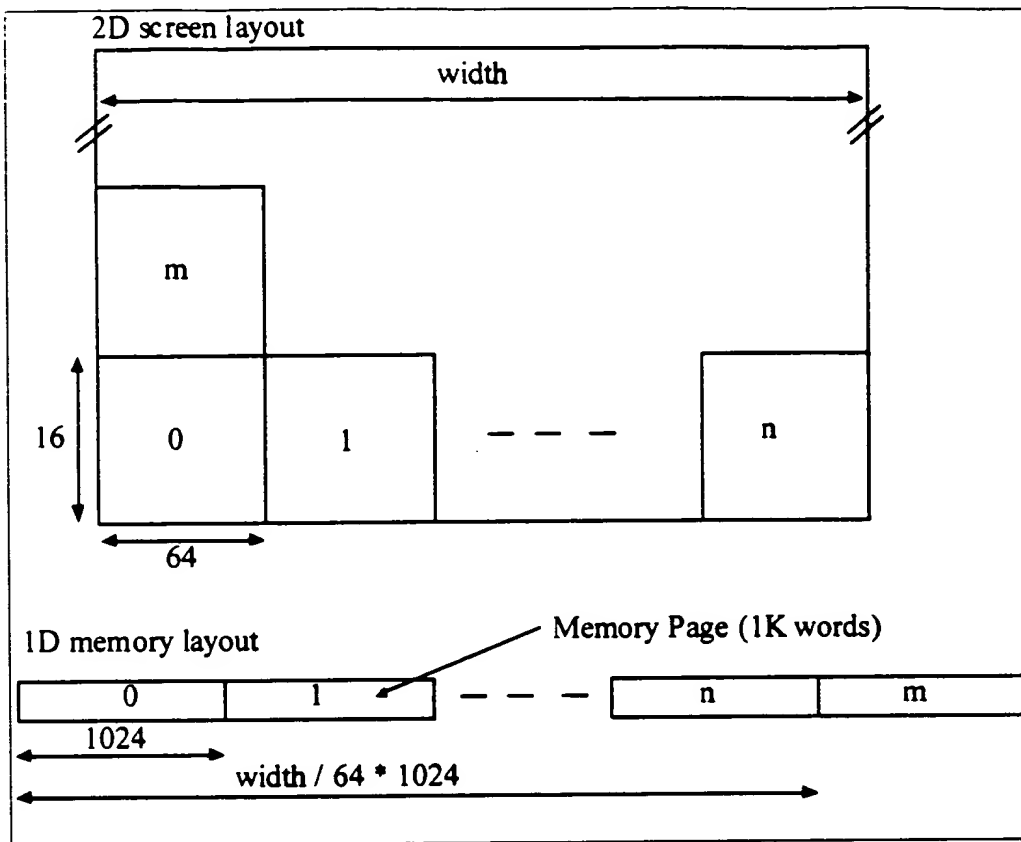


FIG. 5

■ 32 bit texels in memory word
■ 16 bit texels in memory word
■ 8 bit texels in memory word

FIG. 6

Chemical	Formula	Weight	Volume	Concentration	Notes
Hydrogen	H_2	2.016	22.4	1.0	
Helium	He	4.003	22.4	1.0	
Lithium	Li	6.941	22.4	1.0	
Beryllium	Be	9.012	22.4	1.0	
Boron	B	10.811	22.4	1.0	
Carbon	C	12.011	22.4	1.0	
Nitrogen	N_2	28.014	22.4	1.0	
Oxygen	O_2	32.000	22.4	1.0	
Fluorine	F_2	38.000	22.4	1.0	
Neon	Ne	20.180	22.4	1.0	
Sodium	Na	22.990	22.4	1.0	
Magnesium	Mg	24.305	22.4	1.0	
Aluminum	Al	26.982	22.4	1.0	
Silicon	Si	28.086	22.4	1.0	
Phosphorus	P_4	123.896	22.4	1.0	
Sulfur	S_8	256.536	22.4	1.0	
Chlorine	Cl_2	70.906	22.4	1.0	
Argon	Ar	39.948	22.4	1.0	
Potassium	K	39.098	22.4	1.0	
Calcium	Ca	40.078	22.4	1.0	
Scandium	Sc	44.956	22.4	1.0	
Titanium	Ti	47.883	22.4	1.0	
Vanadium	V	50.942	22.4	1.0	
Chromium	Cr	52.004	22.4	1.0	
Manganese	Mn	54.938	22.4	1.0	
Iron	Fe	55.847	22.4	1.0	
Cobalt	Co	58.933	22.4	1.0	
Nickel	Ni	58.693	22.4	1.0	
Copper	Cu	63.546	22.4	1.0	
Zinc	Zn	65.380	22.4	1.0	
Gallium	Ga	69.723	22.4	1.0	
Germanium	Ge	72.630	22.4	1.0	
As	As	74.922	22.4	1.0	
Selenium	Se	78.960	22.4	1.0	
Bromine	Br_2	159.808	22.4	1.0	
Krypton	Kr	83.801	22.4	1.0	
Rubidium	Rb	85.468	22.4	1.0	
Strontium	Sr	87.62	22.4	1.0	
Yttrium	Y	88.906	22.4	1.0	
Zirconium	Zr	91.224	22.4	1.0	
Niobium	Nb	92.906	22.4	1.0	
Molybdenum	Mo	95.94	22.4	1.0	
Technetium	Tc	98.00	22.4	1.0	
Ruthenium	Ru	101.07	22.4	1.0	
Rhodium	Rh	102.91	22.4	1.0	
Palladium	Pd	106.42	22.4	1.0	
Silver	Ag	107.87	22.4	1.0	
Cadmium	Cd	112.41	22.4	1.0	
Indium	In	114.82	22.4	1.0	
Sn	Sn	118.71	22.4	1.0	
Antimony	Sb	121.76	22.4	1.0	
Tellurium	Te	127.60	22.4	1.0	
Iodine	I_2	253.81	22.4	1.0	
Xenon	Xe	131.29	22.4	1.0	
Cesium	Cs	132.91	22.4	1.0	
Barium	Ba	137.33	22.4	1.0	
Lanthanum	La	138.91	22.4	1.0	
Cerium	Ce	140.12	22.4	1.0	
Praseodymium	Pr	140.91	22.4	1.0	
Neodymium	Nd	144.24	22.4	1.0	
Promethium	Pm	144.91	22.4	1.0	
Samarium	Sm	150.36	22.4	1.0	
Europium	Eu	151.96	22.4	1.0	
Gadolinium	Gd	157.25	22.4	1.0	
Terbium	Tb	158.93	22.4	1.0</	

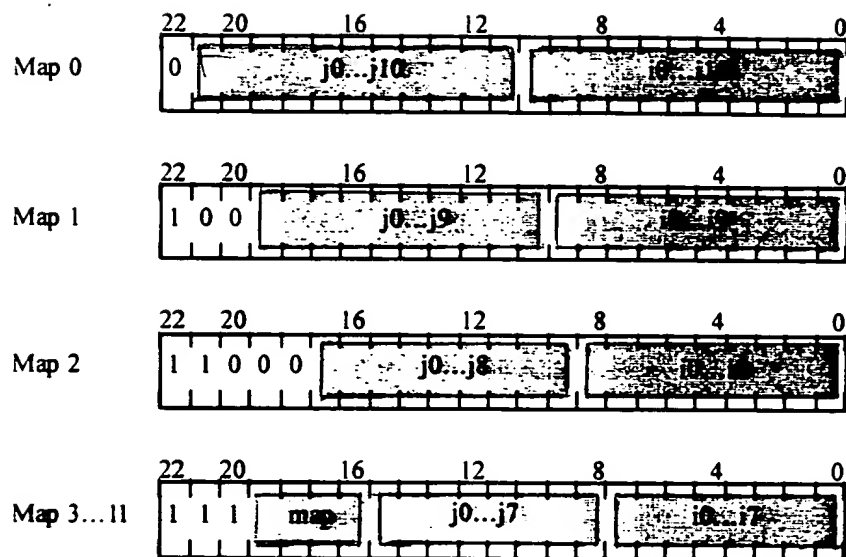


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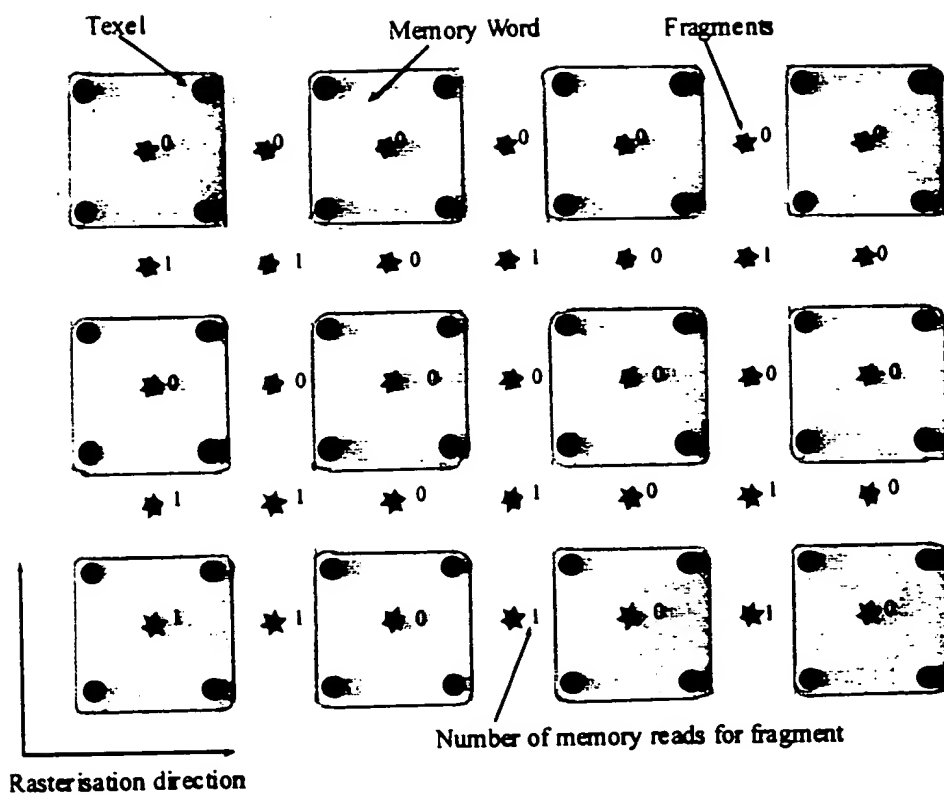


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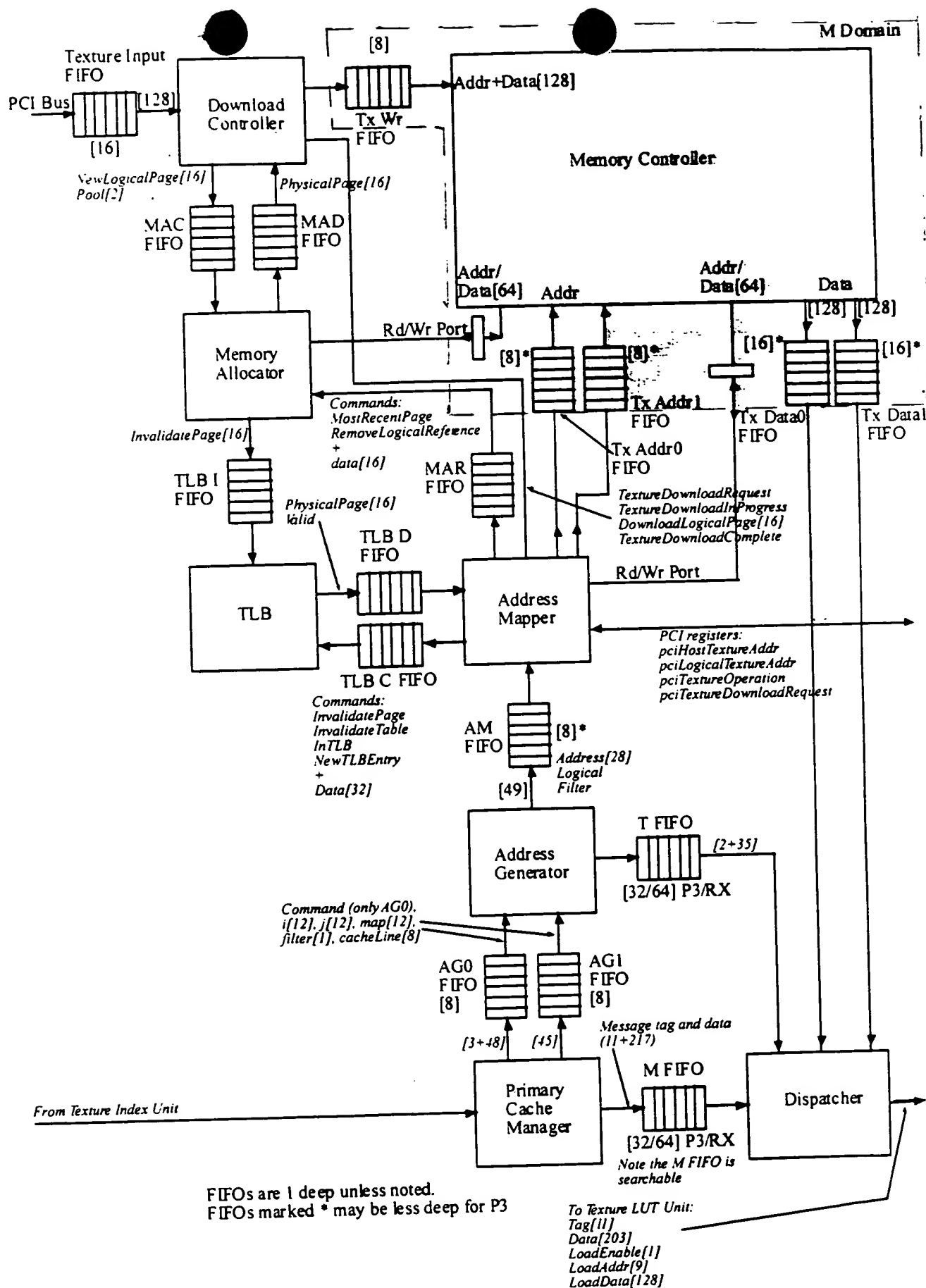


FIG. 10

The diagram illustrates the internal structure of the AG0 and AG1 components. At the bottom, a horizontal line represents the 'Message stream'. Two identical processing blocks are shown side-by-side, labeled 'Cache Directory 0' and 'Cache Directory 1'. Each block has three input ports at the bottom: 'i0, i1, j0, j1', 'map', and 'valid'. Above each cache directory block is a vertical communication channel. The channel for Cache Directory 0 is labeled with the parameters 'i, j, map, cacheLine, filter' and 'command'. This channel connects to a 'FIFO' (First In, First Out) buffer. The buffer for Cache Directory 0 is labeled 'AG0 FIFO' and the buffer for Cache Directory 1 is labeled 'AG1 FIFO'. Each FIFO buffer is represented as a stack of four horizontal slots. An arrow points from the top of each FIFO buffer to the 'To the Address Generator' output at the top of the diagram.

FIG. 11

FIG 12

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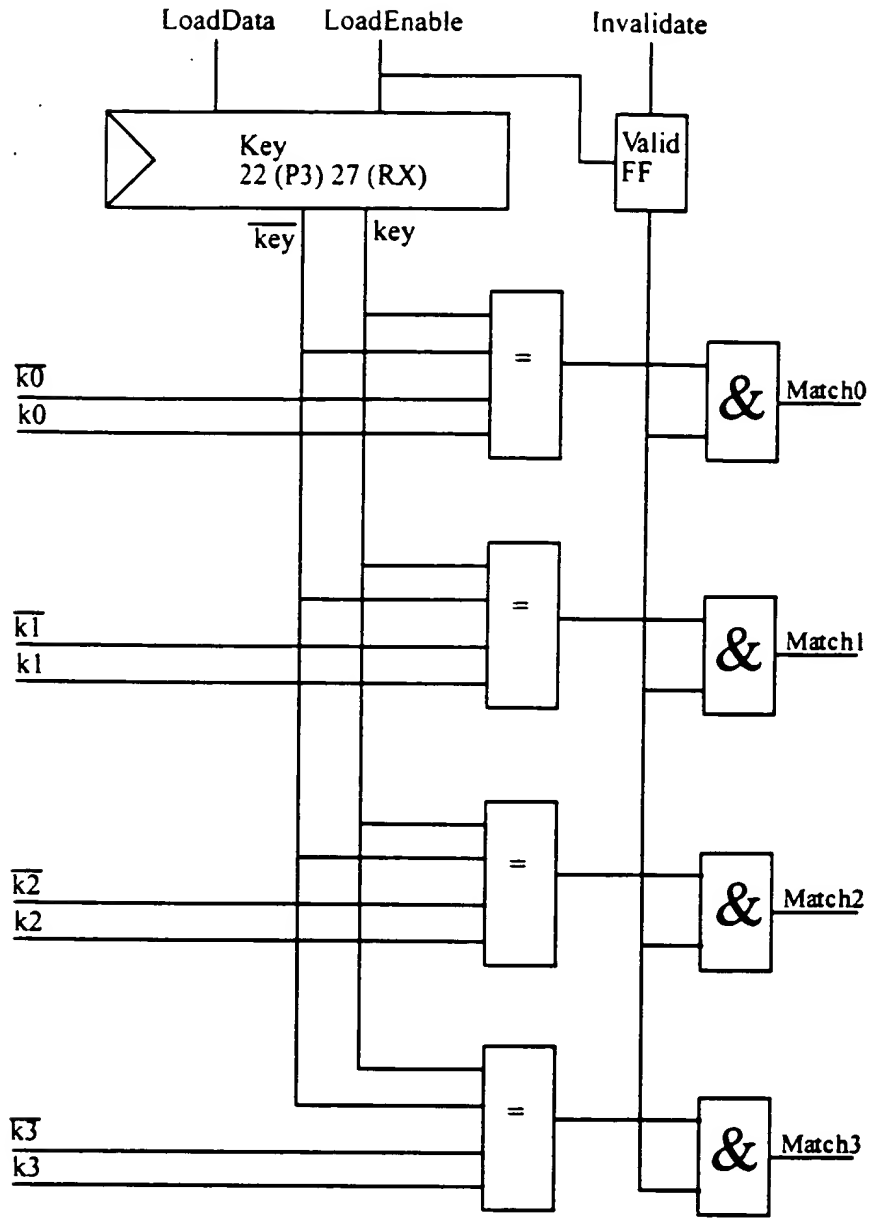


FIG. 13

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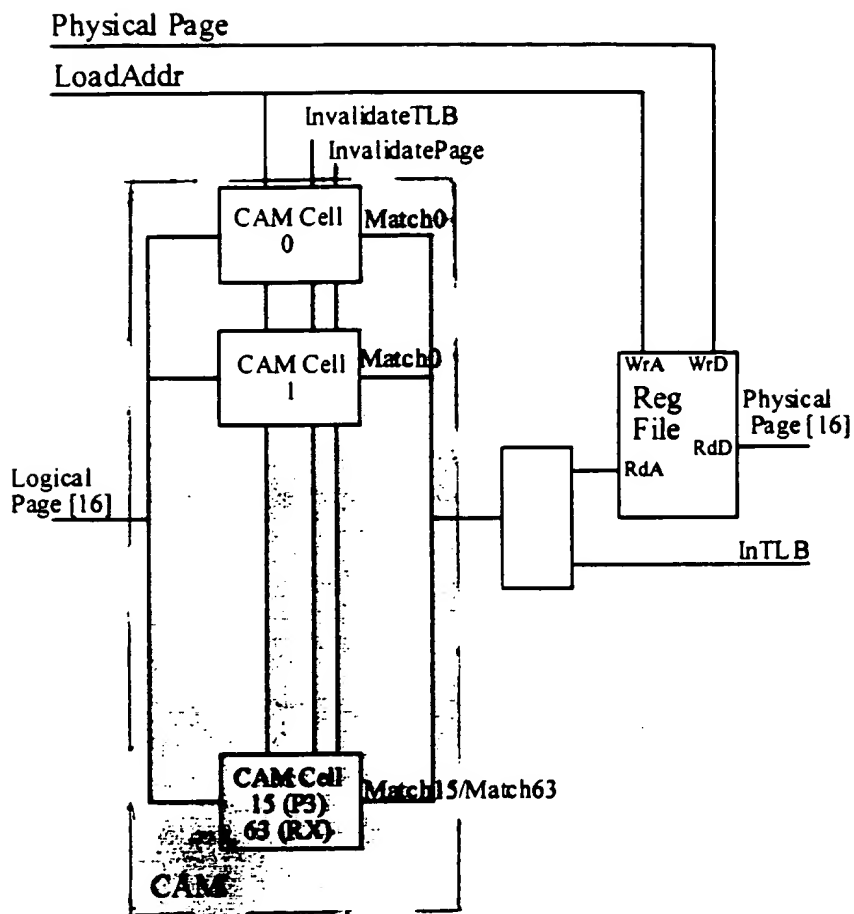


FIG. 14

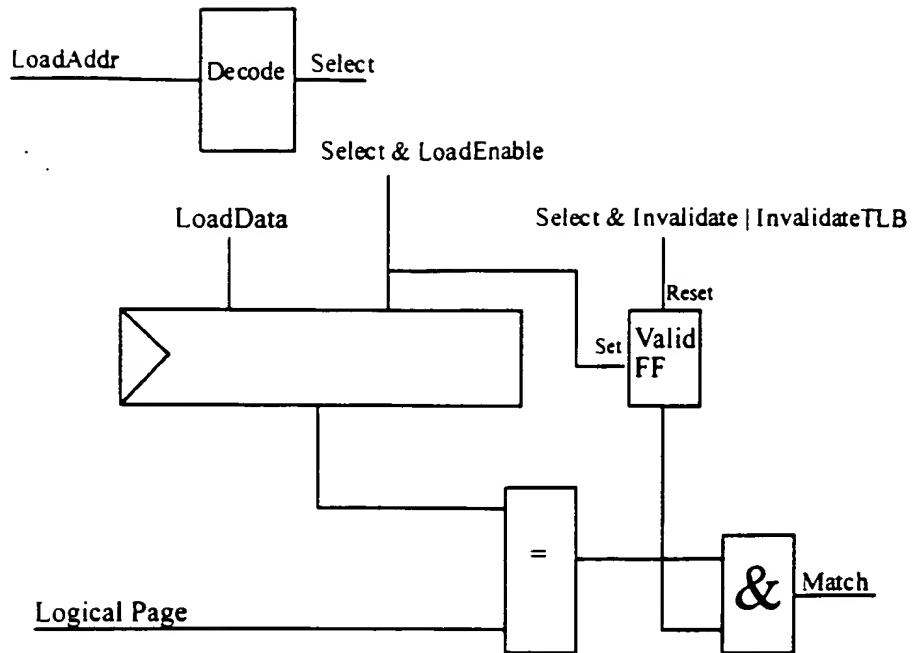


FIG. 15

